

Appl. No. 10/629367

REMARKS

The following remarks are in response to the Office Action mailed on September 21, 2004. Upon entrance of the amendments set out above, Claims 1-19, 40-50, 55, and 57-59 remain pending in this application.

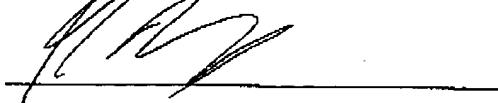
Claims 1-19 and 40-45 were allowed. Applicants thank the Examiner for allowing these claims. Claims 47-53 and 56-59 were rejected over prior art. Claims 54 and 55 were objected to as having allowable subject matter but depending from rejected claims. Claim 54 was further objected to as being a method claim depending from an apparatus claim.

Response is hereby made to these rejections and objections.

Claim 47 has been amended to include the limitations of allowable claim 54. Accordingly, claim 47 should be allowable, as should dependent claims 48-50, 55, and 57-59.

In view of the above amendments and remarks, Applicants respectfully submit that the application should be allowed. The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned below if it will aid in the prosecution of this application.

Respectfully Submitted



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